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community news *in brief*

Louisville Historical Museum Adds 1948-1983 Assessor Cards to Online Offerings

Louisville Appraisal Records Include Main Street Commercial Area

LOUISVILLE, CO – December 30, 2014 – As part of its mission to preserve and promote the City's past, the Louisville Historical Museum has recently completed a project to digitize 1,291 of Louisville's County Assessor cards from 1948-1983. The project began in 2010-2011 when the Museum, with the help of volunteers, acquired scanned images of many of these property appraisal records from the Carnegie branch of the Boulder Public Library. Over this past summer and fall, a Museum intern created the complex records necessary to accompany the scanned images, making them searchable online.

The property appraisal records cover Louisville's Main Street commercial area and subdivisions including Jefferson Place, Caledonia Place, Capitol Hill, and others. The cards include a series of checklists and other information used to determine the condition and value of each property for tax purposes. Assessor cards may include photos, ground plan sketches, type of construction, adjacent roadway surfaces, utility hookups, and even the number of types of plumbing fixtures installed.

REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL CARD - URBAN MASTER INDEX

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 3
CITY: 4
COUNTY: 1
ASSESSOR'S MAP: 647
SUBDIVISION: 1
ORIGINAL: 1948
LOUISVILLE

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: JAMES H. HARRIS, 647 FRONT STREET, LOUISVILLE, CO

CHANGES IN OWNERSHIP: 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 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| APARTMENT <input type="checkbox"/> | HARD SURFACE <input type="checkbox"/> | CURB <input type="checkbox"/> | HIGH <input type="checkbox"/> |
| COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> | OILED <input type="checkbox"/> | DRIVEWAY <input type="checkbox"/> | STEEP <input type="checkbox"/> |
| LIGHT INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> | GRAVEL OR STONE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | CITY WATER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | SOIL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| HEAVY INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> | UNIMPROVED <input type="checkbox"/> | WELL <input type="checkbox"/> SPRING <input type="checkbox"/> | LOW <input type="checkbox"/> |
| REGULAR LOT <input type="checkbox"/> | CONDITION: <input type="checkbox"/> | SEWER <input type="checkbox"/> | SLOPING <input type="checkbox"/> |
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Enlarged view of 'Lot or Acreage Description';
courtesy of the Louisville Historical Museum.

According to Library & Museum Director Beth Barrett, "The treasure trove of information contained in these County Assessor cards can be used by residents interested in the history of their properties, by the Planning Department as they look to the City's future, and to those with ties to the Louisville of the past. In the coming months, this group of online records will be joined by other historic photos and documents held at the Historical Museum that will be available 24/7 to anyone with Internet access."

These records are easily accessed through the [Museum's](#) or [Library's](#) home page. The public is encouraged to contact Museum Coordinator Bridget Bacon at 303-665-9048 with any questions about the assessor cards.

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